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## US Army Announces release of Field Manual 7-0: Training for Full Spectrum Operations

FORT LEAVENWORTH, Kan -- The U.S. Army Combined Arms Center will release the Army's revised keystone training manual to help the Army successfully execute FM 3-0's operational concept.

The operational concept requires the Army to be ready to conduct simultaneous offense, defense, and stability or civil support operations anywhere along the spectrum of conflict, from General War to Stable Peace.

FM 7-0 is designed to help develop an expeditionary Army, comprised of Soldiers and Civilians experienced and knowledgeable enough to be comfortable with operating anywhere along the spectrum of conflict in any type of operation, under any conditions. Its principles and concepts are intended to produce agile leaders, who can rapidly and easily adapt to changing, ambiguous situations.

The manual's four chapters address the breadth and depth of Army training concepts — the "what" of Army training. The web-based Army Training Network will address the "how" of Army training. It will provide examples of concepts in FM 7-0; training lessons, examples, and best practices for implementing the 7-0 concepts; and solutions to training challenges.

The 2008 version of Field Manual 7-0 is the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Army's training management doctrine. Previous editions were published in 1988 as FM 25-100, *Training the Force*, and in 2002 as FM 7-0, *Training the Force*. However, this is the first version to be completely synchronized with our capstone operations manual.

FM 7-0 sets out to change the Army mindset. The Army cannot return to its pre-9-11 focus of training for offensive and defensive operations in major combat operations. Army leaders must think differently about training and leader development in an Army that must be capable of conducting simultaneous offense, defense, and stability or civil support operations in any of the five operational themes.

The CAC Commander, LTG William B. Caldwell, IV will announce the release of FM 7-0 at the Training General Officer Steering Committee opening session on the morning of December 16<sup>th</sup> at the Lewis and Clark Center, Fort Leavenworth, KS.

The Army Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7, LTG James D. Thurman, will be available for a brief media engagement from 1215-1245 in the Arnold Conference Room at the Lewis and Clark Center, December 17<sup>th</sup>. This media opportunity will be open to local media, TRADOC News and via VTC with the Pentagon Press Pool.

Interested media should contact, Fort Leavenworth Public Affairs, (913) 684-1718. Field Manual 7-0 can be viewed online at the CAC website <a href="www.leavenworth.army.mil">www.leavenworth.army.mil</a> on December 16<sup>th</sup>.